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Medical Assistance Administration (MAA)

Subject: FQHC Interpreter Services: Discontinued State-Unique Code

Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2003, the Medical Assistance Administration (MAA) will discontinue state-unique procedure code 0982M for FQHC Interpreter Services.

Interpreter Services

Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2003, all spoken language interpreter services performed in Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) by certified interpreters <u>must</u> be reimbursed by the Interpreter Service contracted broker.

Therefore, state-unique procedure code 0982M for spoken language interpreter services is discontinued.

For further information, contact Tim Roth at (360) 725-1316 or Nora Guzman-Dyrseth at (360) 725-1313.

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